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MEMORANDUM FOR: Mr. James H. Taylor
CIA Comptroller

FROM: [REDACTED]
Deputy to the DCI for Resource Management

SUBJECT: CAMS Upgrade Report for the SSCI

1. We have looked at the subject report which you made available to us on 19 September. In general, the report appears to meet the Committee's requirement for additional and detailed information about the CAMS upgrade before FY 1979 funds for this purpose can be obligated.

2. I believe the report would be greatly strengthened by clarifying a couple of points. Two of these involve reconciling statements made in the document dated 11 September 1978 which provide a general description of the upgrades and statements made in the more detailed description of the upgrade in the document dated 14 July 1978. Specifically:

a. On Page 3 of the 11 September 1978 document, the statement is made that efforts have been made to preclude incorporation of data in the CAMS upgrade which are already contained in other systems. As you know, Mr. Childs of the SSCI Staff was concerned about this at the August briefing. [REDACTED]

[REDACTED] is identified as being precluded from the upgrade because of its availability elsewhere. On Page 15 of the CAMS Upgrade Plan, dated 14 July 1978, reference is made to an on-line graphics capability that will provide COMIREX with capabilities such as "operational planning [REDACTED]"

The role of [REDACTED] needs clarification. The reader with access to both documents is first led to believe the upgrade would not include such information, then to believe it would.

b. The reference to an "operational planning capability" for COMIREX stated in Page 15 of the 14 July document should be clarified. The statement of COMIREX responsibilities made on Page 3 of the 11 September document states that COMIREX is responsible for "formal preparation and coordination of the requirements for CAMS . . . (and) . . . for ensuring that requirements accurately reflect justified user needs." How the latter relates to operational planning should be specified, or the reference to operational planning deleted.

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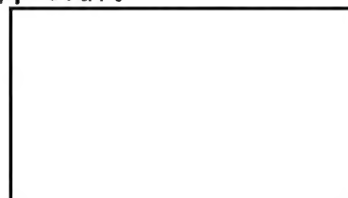
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I hope you will find these comments helpful. You may wish to resolve them before the report is forwarded to the DCI for approval.



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